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In re application of: **Marcel BOUFFIER**  
Serial No.: 10/580,678  
Filed: January 25, 2007  
For: **FUEL ASSEMBLY FOR A PRESSURIZED WATER NUCLEAR REACTOR CONTAINING PLUTONIUM-FREE ENRICHED URANIUM**

Sir:

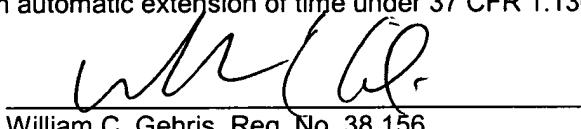
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 Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
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 Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.



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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2008 applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the application based on the following remarks.